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## ***Amendment***

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 7250

File No. 295

Cal. No. 203

### ***"AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPROVEMENT OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT THROUGH PLAY."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the

2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 10-221o of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

5 (a) Each local and regional board of education shall require each  
6 school under its jurisdiction to (1) offer all full day students a daily  
7 lunch period of not less than twenty minutes, and (2) include in the  
8 regular school day for each student enrolled in elementary school time  
9 devoted to physical exercise of not less than twenty minutes in total,  
10 except that a planning and placement team may develop a different  
11 schedule for a child requiring special education and related services in  
12 accordance with chapter 164 and the Individuals With Disabilities  
13 Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as amended from time to time. In  
14 the event of a conflict with this section and any provision of chapter  
15 164, such other provision of chapter 164 shall be deemed controlling.  
16 Nothing in this subsection shall prevent a local or regional board of  
17 education from including an additional amount of time, beyond the  
18 twenty minutes required for physical exercise, devoted to undirected  
19 play during the regular school day for each student enrolled in  
20 elementary school.

21 (b) Not later than October 1, [2013] 2019, each local and regional  
22 board of education shall adopt a policy, as the board deems  
23 appropriate, concerning the issue regarding any school employee  
24 being involved in preventing a student from participating in the entire  
25 time devoted to physical exercise or undirected play in the regular  
26 school day, pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, as a form of  
27 discipline. For purposes of this section, "school employee" means (1) a  
28 teacher, substitute teacher, school administrator, school  
29 superintendent, guidance counselor, school counselor, psychologist,  
30 social worker, nurse, physician, school paraprofessional or coach  
31 employed by a local or regional board of education or working in a  
32 public elementary, middle or high school; or (2) any other individual  
33 who, in the performance of his or her duties, has regular contact with  
34 students and who provides services to or on behalf of students

35 enrolled in a public elementary, middle or high school, pursuant to a  
36 contract with the local or regional board of education.

37 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force to  
38 study the issues relating to and the feasibility of including time  
39 devoted to undirected play during the regular school day in public  
40 elementary schools.

41 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

42 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,  
43 one of whom is a representative of the Connecticut Association of  
44 Boards of Education and one of whom is the parent or guardian of a  
45 student enrolled in a public school;

46 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one  
47 of whom is a representative of the Connecticut Education Association  
48 and one of whom is the parent or guardian of a student enrolled in a  
49 public school;

50 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
51 Representatives who is a representative of the American Federation of  
52 Teachers-Connecticut;

53 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate who is a  
54 representative of the Connecticut Association of Public School  
55 Superintendents;

56 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
57 Representatives who is a representative of the Connecticut Association  
58 of School Administrators;

59 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate who is a  
60 representative of the Connecticut Association of Schools; and

61 (7) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee.

62 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),

63 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member  
64 of the General Assembly.

65 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than  
66 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be  
67 filled by the appointing authority.

68 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
69 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force  
70 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall  
71 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not  
72 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

73 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
74 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education  
75 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

76 (g) Not later than January 1, 2020, the task force shall submit a  
77 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
78 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
79 relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-  
80 4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date  
81 that it submits such report or January 1, 2020, whichever is later."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	10-221o
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section